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## **COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION**

## **MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL**

## **CAREER OPPORTUNITY BULLETIN**

**JOB ID: 1671** 

## TITLE: COMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR TRAINEE

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>: The Missouri State Highway Patrol's Communications Division is conducting a statewide selection process for current Communications Operator Trainee vacancies. These positions are classified as non-exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act. Click <u>HERE</u> to view our employee benefits.

There are not currently openings at all troop headquarters, therefore, if interested in one of the following locations, please apply. A hiring register will be maintained in the event that an opening becomes available. The official domiciles and locations are listed below:

Troop A Headquarters Lee's Summit, Missouri

Troop C Headquarters Weldon Springs, Missouri

Troop E Headquarters Poplar Bluff, Missouri

Troop G Headquarters Willow Springs, Missouri

Troop I Headquarters Rolla, Missouri

Troop B Headquarters Macon, Missouri

Troop D Headquarters Springfield, Missouri

Troop F Headquarters
Jefferson City, Missouri

Troop H Headquarters St. Joseph, Missouri



<u>POSITION SUMMARY</u>: The employee performs full functioning communications work by handling radio traffic both to and from patrol units and other law enforcement agencies; answering incoming emergency and nonemergency telephone calls from the public and other law enforcement entities; works both broadcast and desk operations entering, retrieving and disseminating information in the Missouri State Highway Patrol computer system (MULES) and associated computer systems (NCIC, NLETS, DOR, REJIS). Employee may be involved with performing the operation, maintenance, and construction of the key components utilized throughout the Patrol's radio network. The work is performed under close supervision of a Communications Training Officer and/or designated supervisor. The employee is required to perform shift work (e.g., evenings, midnights, weekends, and holidays).

Click HERE for a more detailed job description.

**SALARY RANGE (Semi-monthly):** The starting salary is \$1,902.00.

TESTING AND INTERVIEW PROCESS: The testing consists of two examinations made available electronically: The PRE Communications Assessment (position compatibility) and CritiCall (skills and abilities related to dispatching). Applicants meeting position qualifications will receive examination invitations via email. Multiple testing dates are tentatively schedule for March, April, May, and June 2022, and the Human Resources Division will call to schedule testing as applications are received. Upon successful completion of both CritiCall and the PRE Communications Assessment examination, interviews will be scheduled and conducted virtually.

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<u>APPLICATION PROCEDURE</u>: Individuals, including current Patrol employees, interested in this position must visit our website at <a href="https://statepatrol.dps.mo.gov/">https://statepatrol.dps.mo.gov/</a> to complete and submit an <a href="application">application</a> and typing test (<a href="http://mshp-hrd.AssessTyping.com">http://mshp-hrd.AssessTyping.com</a>) prior to the application deadline. <a href="Applicants with the necessary">Applicants with the necessary</a> educational qualifications must also upload a copy of their college transcripts to the online application system. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of the application. Individuals who have previously completed an application must access their profile in the system to re-apply.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Possession of a high school diploma or equivalent. Also, it is desired the applicant have two years experience and/or education in mass communications; criminal justice; broadcasting; law enforcement; military police or communications; emergency services dispatcher, telecommunicator, or call taker; air traffic controller; technical expertise; amateur radio "technician class" or higher class radio license; etc. and must meet the qualifications outlined in Section 43.060 RSMo.

Must be able to type at least 25 wpm, after adjustment for errors, on a standard computer keyboard.

**NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**: Must be a resident of Missouri at the time of appointment and must maintain that resident status.

Must be at least twenty-one years of age at the time of appointment.

Must obtain and maintain MULES and NCIC certification within six months of appointment.

Must be able to successfully complete the first available three-week Basic Communications Operator Trainee training course as approved by the Superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Must successfully complete an eighteen-month training period.

Must be of good character and never been convicted of a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude.

To be eligible for employment with the Patrol, applicants must meet all dress and appearance requirements. Click HERE for more details about dress and appearance requirements.

<u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: Final selection may be based upon several factors, e.g., results of an oral interview, written examination or exercise, review of past work performance, performance evaluations, and/or candidate's possession of the knowledge, skills, and abilities deemed necessary for successful performance in the job.

Once a job offer has been made, employment with the Missouri State Highway Patrol is contingent upon the successful results of a background investigation and Patrol administered drug test. The Missouri State Highway Patrol is a Drug Free Workplace.

Some Patrol duties relate to criminal activity. Therefore, employees may be exposed to written material, photographs, and/or verbal language of a sexual nature. The requirements of this position are not intended to create a hostile work environment; however, it is work of an extremely sensitive nature. A copy of the Missouri State Highway Patrol policy on sexual harassment is available upon request.

**EEO STATEMENT:** The Missouri State Highway Patrol is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, veteran status, ancestry, sexual orientation, or disability.

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